

## Barnwell High School

474 Jackson Street  
Barnwell, SC 29812



# South Carolina State Report Card

State and federal laws require public schools to release report cards to the public each year. This year, the report card has been updated to reflect changes in reporting directed by the SC Education Oversight Committee. Schools will not be rated for state accountability purposes until Fall 2017 when the state will transition to a single accountability system. The following reports student performance in school year 2014-15.

<b>Grades:</b>	9-12 High	<b>Principal:</b>	Henry Jon Burdge
<b>Enrollment:</b>	669 students	<b>Superintendent:</b>	J.H. Grissom Jr.
<b>School Phone:</b>	803-541-1390	<b>Board Chair:</b>	Ms. Teresa Spence
<b>School Website:</b>	<a href="http://bhs.barnwell45.org">http://bhs.barnwell45.org</a>		



### Profile of the SC Graduate

#### World Class Knowledge

- Rigorous standards in language arts and math for career and college readiness
- Multiple languages, science, technology, engineering, mathematics (STEM), arts and social sciences\*

#### World Class Skills

- Creativity and innovation
- Critical thinking and problem solving
- Collaboration and teamwork
- Communication, information, media and technology
- Knowing how to learn

#### Life and Career Characteristics

- Integrity
- Self-direction
- Global perspective
- Perseverance
- Work ethic
- Interpersonal skills

### WORLD CLASS SKILLS & LIFE AND CAREER CHARACTERISTICS

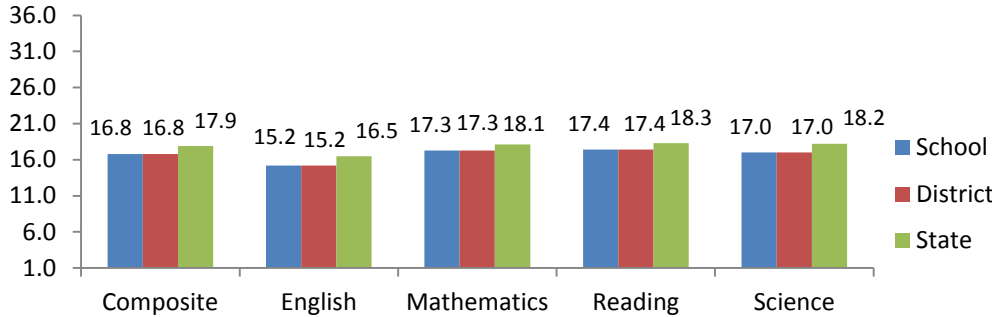
*Our school is helping all students develop the world class skills and life and career characteristics of the Profile of the Graduate by ...*

Barnwell High School is preparing all students to become independent lifelong learners and productive members of society. We provide a safe, comfortable learning environment where students are engaged in challenging activities that incorporate a variety of research-based instructional strategies. We believe that world class skills and life and career characteristics are attained by focusing on student growth and achievement, teacher professional development, and hard work. BHS is providing students world class educational opportunities through multiple Career and Technology Education (CATE) programs of study, course offerings correlated to the South Carolina College-and-Career Ready Standards, multiple years of a foreign language, the enhancement of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) via the Project Lead the Way (PLTW) initiative, and the financial literacy initiative. BHS continues to value the arts by supporting chorus, band, music appreciation, and various levels of art. BHS is ensuring all students learn life and career characteristics through the life skills program, the Employability Credential program, the Horseshoe Café, work-based learning experiences in addition to February Job Shadowing Days, the teacher cadet program, the Advisor/Advisee initiative (Stable Talk), and the "Pause Before You Post" campaign. Relay for Life, Special Olympics, JROTC Blood Drive, JROTC Victory House visitation, Student Council Food Drive, Secret Santa, and Muscular Dystrophy Drive give our students the opportunity to give back to the community through service learning. BHS is celebrating student success through Warhorse Grams to recognize student achievement, the student-of-the-month campaign, and Tardy Parties. BHS utilizes School Improvement Council meetings, school and teacher webpages, guidance-produced grade level newsletters, the Stable Talk newsletter, and Remind text messages to communicate the good news to all stakeholders. BHS values the importance of innovation, creativity, and effective instruction. As a High School That Works site, teachers are utilizing research-driven educational practices, including Marzano's Nine Essential Instructional Strategies, Thinking Maps, and project-based learning, to promote critical thinking and problem solving. Henry Jon Burdge, Principal, Deborah Coleman, SIC Chairperson

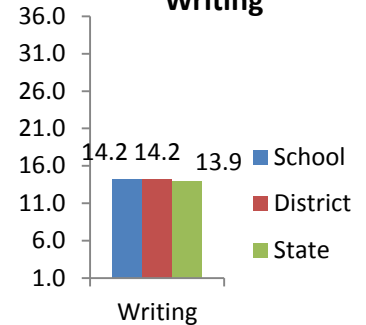
\* 21st Century core courses in Social Sciences include History, Geography, Economics, Government and Civics.

**KNOWLEDGE**

**Average ACT Score Achieved by Students: English, Math, Reading, Science, Composite of all four tests, 2015**



**Average ACT Score Achieved by Students: Writing**

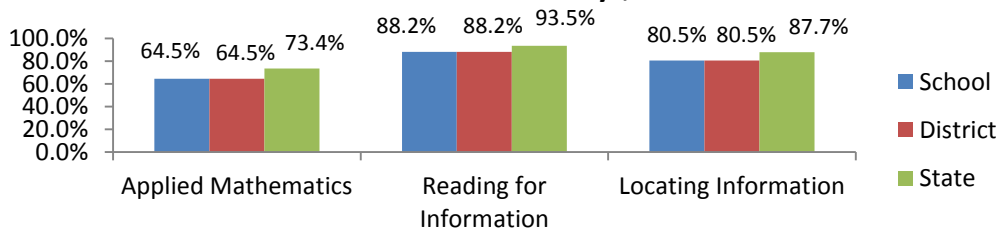


The ACT, a college readiness assessment, was given to every South Carolina 11th grader in 2015 with the exception of those eligible for alternate assessments. The ACT scores range from 0 to 36. The district and state averages are included for comparison. State averages for ACT data are based on regular public schools and do not include private schools in the state.

Percent of Students Meeting ACT College-Ready Benchmarks, 2015				
English Benchmark Score: 18	Math Benchmark Score: 22	Reading Benchmark Score: 22	Science Benchmark Score: 23	All 4 Subjects
30.1	17.5	19.9	15.1	10.8

ACT benchmarks are scores on the ACT subject-area tests that represent the level of achievement required for students to have a 50% chance of obtaining a B or higher or about a 75% chance of obtaining a C or higher in corresponding credit-bearing first-year college courses.

**Percent of Students Meeting Platinum, Gold, or Silver Threshold on WorkKeys, 2015**



ACT WorkKeys is a job skills assessment system measuring "real world" skills that employers believe are critical in the workplace. The assessment is given to every South Carolina 11th grader with the exception of those eligible for alternative assessments. The assessment consists of three subtests: Applied Mathematics, Reading for Information, and Locating Information. Students can earn certificates at the Platinum, Gold, Silver, and Bronze level on WorkKeys assessments.

The ACT is a registered trademark of ACT, Inc.

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SAT Performance				
Percent of Students Tested	Average Critical Reading Score	Average Math Score	Average Writing Score	Average Composite Score
41.1	467	493	457	1417

The highest composite score on the SAT is a 2400. For each of the three sections of the test, the highest score is 800.

**End of Course Tests**

Percent of tests with scores of 70 or above on:	Our School	High Schools with Students Like Ours	State
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	61.8	77.6	85.7
English 1	39.1	60.5	75.1
Biology 1	50.3	71.3	77.8
US History and the Constitution	44.4	60.9	69.1
All Subjects	50.3	67.8	77.3

High Schools with Students Like Ours are high schools with poverty indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for the school.

**OUTCOMES**

State Graduation Rate	
Four-Year	Five-Year
80.3	82.0

School Four-Year Cohort Graduation Rate			
2015	2014	2013	2012
74.7	85.7	74.8	66.0

School Five-Year Cohort Graduation Rate			
2015	2014	2013	2012
87.0	76.1	72.2	72.0

Percentage of Seniors Eligible for LIFE Scholarship		
Our School	District	State
52.0	52.0	42.2

Percentage of Students from 2014 Graduating Class Enrolled in a two- or four-year college or technical college pursuing an associates degree, certificate, or diploma in Fall 2014		
Our School	District	State
71.1	71.1	70.3

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**OPPORTUNITIES****For students to meet the profile of the SC Graduate**

	Our School	Change from Last Year	High Schools with students like ours
<b>Students (n = 669)</b>			
Percent of students participating in Medicaid, SNAP, or TANF; homeless, foster, or migrant students (poverty index)	74.7	Down from 76.1%	N/A
Attendance Rate	93.1	Down from 94.2%	94.0
With disabilities	13.0	Up from 12.3%	12.6
Out of school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	1.3	Down from 2.2%	0.9
Percentage of students served by gifted and talented programs	8.5	Up from 6.7%	17.3
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	2.2	Down from 3.7%	10.7
Successful in AP/IB programs	100.0	Up from 80.0%	41.2
Career/tech students in co-curricular organizations	12.0	Up from 11.7%	5.5
Enrollment in career/technology courses	644	Up from 351	660
Students participating in work-based experiences	0.0	Down from 29.9%	10.3
Number of seniors who have completed FAFSA forms	87	N/A	155
Percentage of seniors completing college applications	N/A	N/A	75.1
Number of students in dual enrollment courses	55	N/A	57
Success rate of students in dual enrollment courses	100.0	N/A	99.0
Annual dropout rate	4.3	Up from 3.6%	2.4
Dropout recovery rate	3.4	N/A	4.6
Percentage of students retained	3.0	Down from 6.1%	3.0
<b>Teachers (n = 40)</b>			
Percentage of teachers with advanced degrees	47.5	Down from 52.5%	60.9
Percentage of teachers on continuing contract	72.5	Down from 80.0%	78.4
Teachers returning from previous year	84.5	Up from 81.9%	85.0
Teacher attendance rate	96.4	Up from 96.3%	95.3
Average teacher salary*	\$48,531	Down 2.2%	\$47,856
Professional development days / teacher	7.6 days	Down from 8.9 days	11.3 days
Percentage of classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0	Down from 3.3%	3.7
Percentage of teacher vacancies for more than 9 weeks	0.0	N/A	0.5

**Evaluations by Teachers, Students, and Parents****Evaluations by Teachers, Students and Parents**

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	41	135	32
Percent satisfied with learning environment	65.9	69.6	71.9
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	83.3	65.9	68.8
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	61.9	81.4	65.6

\* Only students in grade 11 and their parents were included.

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**OPPORTUNITIES**

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<b>School</b>			
Principal's years at school	5.0	Up from 4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	29.7 to 1	Up from 24.7 to 1	26.7 to 1
Prime instructional time	88.8	Down from 89.2%	87.8
Opportunities in the arts	Good	Up from Fair	Good
Opportunities in foreign languages	Poor	N/A	Poor
Dual enrollment courses offered	10.0	N/A	11.0
Are online or blended (50% online) courses offered	N/A	N/C	N/A
AdvancEd (SACS) accreditation	Yes	No change	Yes
Parents attending conferences	99.8	Down from 100.0%	99.8
Character development program	Good	No change	Good
Avg. Age of books/electronic media in the school library	30.0	N/A	15.1
Number of resources available per student in the school library media center	13.2	N/A	24.5
Bandwidth capacity per student	50-100 Mbps	N/C	N/A
District-issued technology devices per teacher	2.3	N/C	2.0
Percent of classrooms with wireless access	26-50%	N/C	N/A
District-issued learning devices per student	0.2	N/C	0.9
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$8,751	Up 9.2%	\$8,790
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	63.9	Up from 63.5%	56.8
Percent of expenditures for teachers' salaries**	64.7	Up from 64.0%	58.0

\* Includes current year teachers contracted for 190 days or more.

\*\* Prior year audited financial data are reported.

**State Ratings History of School**

Year	Absolute Rating	Growth Rating
2014	Good	Good
2013	Average	At-Risk
2012	Good	Excellent

Based on state law, schools will not be rated for state accountability purposes until Fall 2017.

**Additional Resources**

SC State Content Standards  
[Family-Friendly Guides to the SC Content Standards](#)  
[2014-15 Accountability Manual](#)  
[Report Card Data Files](#)  
[ESEA Data Files](#)

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